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Report of the Special Officer in regard to cottage industries in South Kanara.

* 157 *Q.*—Mr. A. B. SHETTY: Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state whether the Government propose to take any action on the report of the Special Officer in regard to cottage industries in South Kanara?

A.—The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the answer given to question No. 155.

Veterinary

Improvement of pay and prospects of Veterinary Assistant Surgeons.

* 158 *Q.*—Mr. A. B. SHETTY: Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have considered the question of bettering the pay and prospects of Veterinary Assistant Surgeons; and

(*b*) if so, what decision has been arrived at?

A.—(*a*) The question is under the consideration of Government.

(*b*) Does not arise.

Improvement of the pay and prospects of the Veterinary Surgeons.

* 159 *Q.*—Mr. K. R. KARANT: Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state what action he has taken in regard to the promise given by him in the Council on 2nd and 22nd March 1929 regarding the improvement of the pay and prospects of the Veterinary Surgeons?

A.—The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the answer given to clause (*a*) of question No. 158.

Mr. K. R. KARANT:—"May I ask how long this matter is likely to be pending before the Government and whether a decision will be arrived at soon?"

The hon. Mr. M. R. SETURATNAM AYYAR:—"I hope I will be in a position to frame proposals for the next year's budget."

Establishment of a serum institute by the Madras Government.

* 160 *Q.*—Mr. J. A. SALDANHA: Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Madras Government have established a serum institute as the Mysore Government have done for the production of serum required for inoculating animals according to the serum-simultaneous method;

(*b*) if not, whether Government have decided to establish such an institute and if so, when, where and at what cost;

(*c*) from where the Government now get the serum required for such inoculation;

(*d*) what is the number of animals inoculated with serum-simultaneous during the year 1928–29 ending with 31st March 1929;

(*e*) what arrangements have been made for such inoculation in the year 1929–30 and with how many doses;